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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: NPIC-☐ Construction Briefing

Following the Morning Meeting on 15 January 1971 I spoke to Mr. Duckett concerning the dilemma we face in developing the briefing for the Director on NPIC-☐ construction. Mr. Duckett urged that we not attempt to get to the Director before the NRO Executive Committee Meeting scheduled toward the end of January. He said that decision will be made at that time which will, assuming that as anticipated it tilts the project toward CIA, enable us to say positively that construction planning must now be finalized. He said also that the Director was currently well up on ☐ and is seemingly well impressed with the work which the Agency has done thus far. Mr. Duckett replied affirmatively to my question of whether when we go to the Director we press for ☐ construction in the Headquarters area. I also mentioned Colonel White's recommendation that we get this briefing on the Director's calendar for the last week in January but he reiterated his strong belief that we should not attempt to move until after the NRO Meeting.

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